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Amendment Accompanying Request for Continued Examination

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated November 9, 2010, Applicant filed a Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 on January 10, 2011. An Advisory Action was issued by the Patent Office on February 2, 2011 indicating that the case was not in condition for allowance. In response to the Advisory Action and final Office Action, Applicant filed a Notice of Appeal on May 6, 2011. In lieu of filing an Appeal Brief and in response to the final Office Action dated November 9, 2010, Applicant submits herewith a Supplemental Response and a Request for Continued Examination.

Please amend the above-identified Application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.